

## Connecticut State Medical Society Testimony Senate Bill 322 AN ACT CONCERNING THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CONNECTICUT HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE

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Senator Lesser, Representative Scanlon and members of the Insurance and Real Estate Committee, on behalf of the physicians and physicians in training of the Connecticut State Medical Society (CSMS), thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony to you today on Senate Bill 322 AN ACT CONCERNING THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CONNECTICUT HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE.

While we appreciate the intent of Senate Bill 322 is to ensure that those who serve the state and the health insurance exchange, have insurance experience, we would like to suggest that the legislature expand the requirement to include individuals with health care delivery or health care policy expertise. Having insurance experience is certainly beneficial, but since the exchange has become much more than just an insurance review entity the addition of health care policy or delivery experience will help the board make well-informed decisions on health insurance coverage, network adequacy, access to care and the quality of care delivery. We believe this change in language will go a long way in representing and serving the clinical community and the patients of Connecticut.